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FOLLOWING REPEAT COMDT COGARD WASHDC DTG
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DEPT OF COMMERCE, NMFS WASHDC, U S CUSTOMS WASHDC, IMMIGRATION
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LAW ENFORCEMENT - POSSIBLE SEIZURE F/V NP390 (CA)

1. U.S. COAST GUARD PATROL 32 FOOT BOAT BOARDING PARTY HAS
FOUND THE CANADIAN FISHING VESSEL NP390 TO BE IN VIOLATION
OF THE FCMA(16USC1857) BY CONDUCTING A SALMON GILLNET
FISHERY WITHIN U.S. WATERS

LOCATION: APPROXIMATELY 5 1/2 MILES NNE OF PILLAR POINT IN
THE STRAIT OF JUAN DE FUCA AT POSITION 48-17.7N 124.02.2W.

2. SERIOUSNESS OF THE VIOLATION RELATIVE TO FISHERY
CONSERVATION/MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND STRENGTH OF THE
SUPPORTING EVIDENCE ARE COLLECTIVELY VIEWED BY COGARD,
NMFS, AND DOJ AS WARRANTING APPLICATION OF SANCTION PROVIDED BY
16 USC 1859 AND/OR 16 USC 1860. REQUEST CONCURRENCE IN THE
SEIZURE OF THIS VESSEL FOR VIOLATION OF THE FCMA.

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3. PUBLIC INFORMATION GUIDANCE INVITED. UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED,
INTEND TO RESPOND FACTUALLY TO SPECIFIC QUERIES ON COAST GUARD
ACTION TO NEWS MEDIA AND OTHER SOURCES. ADDITIONALLY, COGARD RELEASE
OF CASE INFORMATION WILL BE WITHIN LIMITS OF APPLICABLE LOCAL
COURT RULE(S) FOR THE FED DIST COURT TO WHICH THE CASE WOULD
LIKELY BE REFERRED. UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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